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1004 770 2004 385 Reissue filing fee	1403	290	2403	145	Request for oral hearing	
1005 160 2005 80 Provisional filing fee	1451	1,510	1451	1,510	Petition to institute a public use proceeding	
SUBTOTAL (1) (\$)	1452	110	2452	55	Petition to revive - unavoidable	
2. EXTRA CLAIM FEES FOR UTILITY AND REISSUE	1453	1,330	2453	665	Petition to revive - unintentional	
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Commissioner for Patents	Examiner Name	Traviss C. McIntosh III	
P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450	Attorney Docket Number	96700/725	

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This Reply responds to the Final Office Action dated February 6, 2004 in the above-identified case. Since this Reply is due on May 6, 2004, it is timely filed.

#### Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§§ 1.56, 1.97, and 1.98, applicants enclose herewith Form PTO/SB/08A, containing a reference which may be deemed relevant to the above-identified application, along with a copy of the reference cited therein. The enclosed item is made of record to assist the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office in its examination of the above-identified application. The Examiner is respectfully requested fully to consider the enclosed items, and independently to assess their teachings.

#### **AMENDMENT**

Please enter the following amendments in this case.